



DECK LOG BOOK

OF THE

U.S.S. ABILITY

MSO-519

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

Attached to

MINE DIVISION EIGHTY-FIVE Division,

MINE SQUADRON EIGHT Squadron,

U.S. ATLANTIC Fleet,

SIXTH Naval District,

Commencing +5R 0000, 1 MAY, 19 69,

(zone time and date)

at NAVAL STATION, CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA,

(location)

and ending +5R 2400, 31 MAY, 19 69,

(zone time and date)

at NAVAL STATION, MAYPORT, FLORIDA

(location)

Approved by:

J. Lancaster

LCDR

Commanding

J. LANCASTER

LCDR USA

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +5R DATE THURSDAY 1 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA TO _____

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L _____	BY _____	
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

0800-0808 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER SIERRA, BERTH 4A AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE, CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YDKE SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS COMCRUDESFLT SIX. 0710 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: EISMANN, SCOTT R., B538690, SA, USN, WA SINCE 0730 18 APRIL 1969.

W. J. Masterson
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS, USNR

EXAMINED

C. D. Hensley U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

TO BE FORWARDED TO THE BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL AT THE END OF EACH MONTH

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO-519)

DATE THURSDAY 1 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

08-24 MOORED AS BEFORE?

R.R. Stewart
R.R. STUART, ENS, USNR

EXAMINED:

C.D. Hershner LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-515) ZONE DESCRIPTION +5R DATE FRIDAY 2 MAY 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM CHARLESTON SOUTH CAROLINA TO

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
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LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-08 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER SIERRA, BERTH 4 ALPA AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE, CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM THE PIER SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKES SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOFA IS COMRADES FLAT SIX. 0710 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: EISMANN, SCOTT R., B 538690, SA USN, MA SINCE 0730 18 APRIL 1969.

RR Stewart
RR. STUART, ENS, USNR

EXAMINED

C.D. Herscher LT U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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USS ABILITY (MSO-519)

DATE FRIDAY 2 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

08-24 MOORED AS BEFORE. 0835 COMMENCED COMMANDING OFFICER'S PERSONNEL INSPECTION. 0910 COMPLETED COMMANDING OFFICER'S PERSONNEL INSPECTION. 0930 COMMENCED COMMANDING OFFICER'S MATERIAL INSPECTION. 1040 COMPLETED COMMANDING OFFICER'S MATERIAL INSPECTION. 1100 HELD FIRE DRILL. 1110 SECURED FROM FIRE DRILL.

BR [Signature]
BR. MOFFETT, LT(JG), U.S.N.

EXAMINED:

C. D. Hernandez LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ADIKITY (MSO-519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +SR DATE SATURDAY 3 MAY 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM CHARLESTON, SOUTH TO CAROLINA

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L _____	BY _____	
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

08-08 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER SIERRA, BERTH 4 ALPHA AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE, CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOFA IS COMINELANT. 0710 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: GISMANN, SCOTT R, B535690, SA USN, VA SINCE 0730 18 APRIL 1969.

BR. *[Signature]*
BR. MOFFETT, LT(JG), USN.

08-12 MOORED AS BEFORE. 0847 SET SPECIAL SOFA DETAIL. 0900 COMPLETED ALL PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. 0904 CAPTAIN AND NAVIGATOR ON THE BRIDGE. 0910 UNDERWAY FOR DEPENDENTS CRUISE IN ACCORDANCE WITH CINCLANTFLT QUARTERLY OPERATION SCHEDULE. 0920 STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE STANDING OUT OF CHARLESTON HARBOR. 1027 SET CONDITION 1-MIKE. 1050 COMMENCED SLEWING 'D'-TYPE GEAR TO PORT. 1058 ALL GEAR STOPPED OFF ON DECK. 1059 COMMENCED RECOVERY OF 'D' TYPE SLEW GEAR. 1102 SECURED FROM CONDITION 1-MIKE. SET ANCHOR DETAIL. 1128 COMMENCED DROPPING ANCHOR. 1132 ANCHORED IN 37 FEET OF WATER WITH 30 FATHOMS OF CHAIN TO THE PORT ANCHOR. SAND BOTTOM. ANCHORED TO ON THE FOLLOWING BEARINGS: CHARLESTON LIGHT: 009 6 MILES. 1137 SECURED ANCHOR DETAIL.

[Signature]
V. VANDS, HC(S) USNR

EXAMINED

[Signature] U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

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DATE

SATURDAY 3 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

12-16, ANCHORED AS BEFORE. 1335 GET ANCHOR DETAIL. 1337 COMMENCED HEAVING IN ON PORT ANCHOR. 1345 ANCHOR IN THE HAUSE. UNDERWAY TO ENTER PORT. 1438 STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE STANDING IN CHARLESTON HARBOR. 1545 COMMENCED APPROACH TO WINGHUT PIERS. 1555 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER TANGO BERTH 4A AT THE U.S. NAVAL STATION, CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

V. H. VANDS, (C/S), USNR

16-24 MOORED AS BEFORE.

V. H. VANDS, (C/S), USNR

EXAMINED:

C. D. Herscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +5R DATE SUNDAY 4 MAY 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM CHARLESTON, S.C. TO

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
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λ <u> </u>	BY <u> </u>	

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-08 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER TANGOR
BERTH 4 ALPHA AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE, CHARLESTON,
SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED
AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS
SERVICES FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH
FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKO SET. OTHER
SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S.
ARMAVIC FLEET. SOPA IS COMINELANT. 0110
MUSTERED THE CREW ON STATION, ABSENTEDS!
GASMAN, SCOTT R, BS 38690, ST, USN, UA SINCE
0130 18 APRIL 1969.

[Signature]
J. H. VAIDS, (TCR) USNVR

EXAMINED

C. O. Herscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

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ABILITY (MSD-519)

DATE

SUNDAY 4 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

08-24 MOORED AS BEFORE

W. J. Masterson
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS, USNR

EXAMINED:

C. D. Kerschner LT

U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-518) ZONE DESCRIPTION 45R DATE Monday 5 May 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
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L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-08 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER TANGO BERTH 4A AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE, CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKESOT. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS COMRUDESLOT SIX. 0710 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: EISMANN, SCOTT R., B 538690, SA, USN, UA SINCE 0730 18 APRIL 1969.

P.R. Stewart
P.R. Stewart, ENS USNR

EXAMINED

C.D. Hershey, LT U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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USS ABILITY (MSO-519)

DATE MONDAY 5 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

08-24 MOORED AS BEFORE. 1031 USS RIVAL (MSO-468)
MOORED OUTBOARD TO PORT. 1750 HELD FIRE DRILL.
1800 SECURED FROM FIRE DRILL.

PR Stewart
PR STEWART, ENS, USNR

EXAMINED:

C. P. Herscher C.T. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-519) ZONE DESCRIPTION 4SR DATE TUESDAY 6 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
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λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
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LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

~~XX-08~~ MOORED IN A NEST OF TWO SHIPS STARBOARD
SIDE TO PIER TANGO BERTH 4 ALFA AT THE U.S.
NAVAL BASE CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA WITH
STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT
FORE AND AFT. USS RIVAL (MSO-468) MOORED
OUTBOARD TO PORT. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES
FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH
MATERIAL CONDITION YOKO SET OTHER SHIPS PRESENT
INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC
FLEET. SOPA IS COMCRUDEFLT SIX. 0710 MUSTERED
THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTS: EISHAWN, SCOTT R.
B 53 86 90, SA, USN UA SINCE 0730 18 APRIL 1969.

R.R. Stewart

R.R. STEWART, ENS, USNR

EXAMINED

C. D. Herscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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USS ABILITY (MSO-519)

DATE TUESDAY 6 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

08-27 MOORED AS BEFORE. 1525 HELD FIRE
DRILL. 1535 SECURED FROM FIRE DRILL.

B.R. MOTTETT
B.R. MOTTETT, LT(jg), U.S.N.

EXAMINED:

C.P. Herscher C.T. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +SR DATE WEDNESDAY 7 MAY 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM CHARLESTON, SOUTH TO CAROLINA

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L _____	BY _____	
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L _____	BY _____	
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L _____	BY _____	
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LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-00 MOORED IN A NEST OF TWO SHIPS STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER TANGO, BERTH 4 ALPHA AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE, CHARLESTON SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. U.S.S. RIVAL (MSO-462) MOORED OUTBOARD TO PORT. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YAKE SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS COM CRUDESFLOT SIX. 0710 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: EISMANN, SCOTT R. BS30690, SA, U.S.N., UA SINCE 0730 10 APRIL 1969

B.R. [Signature]
B.R. MOFFITT, LTJG, U.S.N.

EXAMINED

C.D. [Signature] LT U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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Ability (2050-519)

DATE

Wednesday 7 May 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

08-24 Worked as before

J. H. VANDS
J. H. VANDS

EXAMINED:

C. D. Hernandez LT.

U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-514) ZONE DESCRIPTION T5R DATE THURSDAY 8 MAY 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
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L _____	BY _____	
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
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LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-08 MOORED IN A KEST OF TWO SHIPS STARBOARD
SIDE TO PIER TANG, BERTH 4 ALFA AT THE
U.S. NAVAL BASE, CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA WITH
STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT
FORE AND AFT. USS. RIVAL (MSO-468) MOORED
OUTBOARD TO PORT. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES
FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE
WITH MATERIAL CONDITION VOKE SET. OTHER SHIPS
PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S.
ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS COMCRUDESFLOT SIX.
0710 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES:
EISMANN, SCOTT R., B538690, SA, USA, A/A SINCE
0730 18 APRIL 1968.

J. H. VANDERKAM
J. H. VANDERKAM, (T-5), USNR

EXAMINED

C. P. HENDERSON LTJG U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO-519)

DATE THURSDAY 8 MAY 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

08-24. MOORED AS BEFORE. 1245 SET THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL IN PREPARATION FOR SHIFTING BERTHS. 1304 UNDERWAY FOR SHIFTING BERTHS. 1319 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER SIERRA, BERTH 1 ALFA AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE, CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM THE PIER. USS RIVAL (MSO-468) MOORED OUTBOARD TO PORT. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS COMCRUDESFLOT SIX.

W. J. Masteron
W. J. MASTERON, ENS, USNR

EXAMINED:

C. D. Herscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +5R DATE FRIDAY 9 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
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L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
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λ _____	BY _____	

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

ΦΦ-Φ8 MOORED IN A NEST OF TWO SHIPS STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER SIERRA, BERTH 1 ALFA, AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE, CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. U.S.S. RIVAL (MSO-468) MOORED OUTBOARD TO PORT. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS COMCRUDESFLOT SIX. Φ745 MUSTERED THE CREW ON STATION. ABSENTEES: FISMANN, SCOTT R., 6538690, SA., USN, WA SINCE Φ73Φ 18 APRIL 1969.

W. J. Masterson
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS. USNR.

EXAMINED

C. D. Berube U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO-519)

DATE FRIDAY 9 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

08-24 MOORED AS BEFORE. 1620 HELD RESCUE AND
ASSISTANCE DRILL. 1630 SECURED FROM RESCUE AND
ASSISTANCE DRILL.

R.R. Stewart
R.R. STEWART, JR. USNR

EXAMINED:

C.P. Hernandez LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-515) ZONE DESCRIPTION 45R DATE SATURDAY 10 MAY 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
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LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-08 MOORED IN A NEST OF TWO SHIPS, STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER SIERRA, BERTH 1 ALPHA AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. USS RIVAL (MSO-468) MOORED OUTBOARD TO PORT. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATER FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKO SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. 30RA IS COMERUDESPLOT SIX 0145 MUSTERED THE CREW ON STATION. ABSENTS: EISMAW, SCOTT R., B 53 8690, SA, USN, UA SINCE 0730 18 APRIL 1968.

RP Stewart
P. R. Stewart, ZWS, USNR

EXAMINED

C. D. Herscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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USS ABILITY (MSC-519)

DATE SATURDAY JUN 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

04-24 MOORED AS BEFORE

B.R. McNeill
B.R. McNeill, LT(jg), U.S.N.

EXAMINED:

C.P. Herscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS FBILITY (MSO-519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +5R DATE SUNDAY 11 MAY 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM CHARLESTON, SOUTH TO CAROLINA

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
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LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
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REMARKS

00-0A MOORED IN A NEST OF TWO SHIPS STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER SIERRA BERTH 1 ALPHA AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. U.S.S. RIVAL (MSO-46A) MOORED OUTBOARD TO PORT. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS COMCRUDESFLOT SIX. 0745 MUSTERED THE CREW ON STATION. ABSENTEES: ELSMANN, SCOTT R. DS32690 SA, USN, UA SINCE 0730 12 APRIL 1969

B.R. WILSON
B.R. NOFFETT, LTJG, USN

EXAMINED

C.D. Herscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO-514)

DATE Sunday 11 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

08-24 MOORED AS BEFORE. 1800 HELD FIRE DRILL.
1813 SECURED FROM FIRE DRILL.

W. J. Masteron
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS. USNR.

EXAMINED:

C. D. Herscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +5R DATE MONDAY 12 MAY 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA TO NO.

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
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LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
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REMARKS

08-08 MOORED IN A NEST OF TWO SHIPS STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER SIERRA, BERTH 1 ALFA AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE, CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. U.S.S. RIVAL (MSO-468) MOORED OUTBOARD TO PORT. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS COMCRUDESFLOT SIX. 0745 MUSTERED THE CREW ON ST AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: EISMANN, SCOTT R. B 538690, SA, USN, USA SINCE 0730 18 APRIL 1969.

W. J. Masterson
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS, USNR

08-12 MOORED AS BEFORE. 0802 COMPLETED ALL PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY 0812 UNDERWAY IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMNAVANT QUARTERLY OPERATION SCHEDULE FOR LOCAL OP-AREA. 0820 STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE STANDING OUT OF CHARLESTON HARBOR. 0946 COMMENCED PREPARATIONS FOR PLACING MUSTER REFERENCE BOYS. 0951 MISTER REFERENCE BOY ALFA IN THE WATER. 1009 MISTER REFERENCE BOY BRAVO IN THE WATER. 1016 COMPLETED LAYING TWO MISTER REFERENCE BOYS. 1030 STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE CHECKING MISTER REFERENCE BOY LINE.

V. J. Vands
V. J. VANDS, LTJG, USNR

EXAMINED

C. D. Herrick U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS

Ability (USO 519)

DATE

Monday 12 May 69
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REMARKS—CONTINUED

12-14 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1340 MAKING PREPARATIONS TO
ENTER PORT. 1401 SET SPECIAL SQA DETAIL. 1415 STEERING
VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE STANDING IN
IN CHARLESTON HARBOR. 1451 COMMENCED APPROACH TO
MINOR PIER. 1501 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER
TANGO, BERTH 2 ALPHA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES
DOUBLED. 1503 SECURED SPECIAL SQA DETAIL.

V. J. VANDS
V. J. VANDS, HC(S), USNR

16-24 MOORED AS BEFORE.

V. J. VANDS
V. J. VANDS, HC(S), USNR

EXAMINED:

C. D. Herscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (USO 8) ZONE DESCRIPTION +SPR DATE Tuesday 13 May 1969
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REMARKS

00-08 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER TANGO, BERTH 2 ALFA AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MINOR LUMBERAL CONDITION YORE SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS POMEROY FLOT SIX, 0735 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: BISHOPMAN, SCOTT R. BS 38680 SA, USN, UA SINCE 0730 18 APRIL 1969. 0745 SET SPECIAL SEA DETAIL.

V. J. VANDER
V. J. VANDER, H/S USNR

08-12 MOORED AS BEFORE. 0800 UNDERWAY IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINELANT QUARTERLY OPERATIONS SCHEDULE FOR CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA OPAREA. 0805 STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE STANDING OUT OF CHARLESTON HARBOR. 0857 SECURED THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. 0943 COMMENCED PREPARATIONS TO LAY MASTER REFERENCE BUOYS ALFA AND BRAVO IN ACCORDANCE WITH MINELANT STAFFEX NO. 12-69. SOUNDED CONDITION 2. MIKE. 1004 DROPPED MASTER REFERENCE BUOY ALFA. 1014 COMMENCED PREPARATIONS TO LAY MINES IN ACCORDANCE WITH MINELANT STAFFEX NO. 12-69. 1030 DROPPED MINE NO. 28. 1035 DROPPED MINE NO. 27. 1044 DROPPED MINE NO. 26. 1047 DROPPED MINE NO. 25. SECURED CONDITION 2. MIKE. 1056 C/S 13 KNOTS C/C 025° T. 1131 MR. MUSTER AT THE CONN, CAPTAIN AND NAVIGATOR ON THE BRIDGE. COMMENCED STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS CONFORMING TO CHARLESTON HARBOR. 1145 STATIONED THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL.

RR Stewart
RR STEWART, ENS, USNR

EXAMINED

C. D. Henscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO-519)

DATE TUESDAY 13 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

12-16 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1201 PASSED FORT SUMTER ABAND TO PORT 1000 YARDS. 1245 U.S. NAVY TUG CAME ALONG SIDE PORT QUARTER. PILOT MR. LURTON CAME ABOARD AND TOOK THE COWN. 1247 MANEUVERING TO GO ALONG SIDE THE PIER. 1253 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER TANGO, BERTH 2 ALFA AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED. 1258 SECURED THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL.

RR Stewart
RR STEWART, ENS, USNR

16-24 MOORED AS BEFORE.

RR Stewart
RR STEWART, ENS, USNR

EXAMINED:

C. D. Perscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +SR DATE WEDNESDAY 14 MAY 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)
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LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
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3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-08 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER TANGO, BERTH 2 ALFA AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YUKO SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS COMBUDS PWT SIX. 0600 COMMENCED PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. 0735 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: ESMANN, SCOTT R. B538690 SA, USN, UA SINCE 0730 18 APRIL 1968. 0745 STATIONED THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. 0750 COMPLETED ALL PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. DRAFT, FORWARD 11 FT, AFT 11 FT 2 IN.

RR Stewart
RR STEWART, ENS, USNR

08-12 MOORED AS BEFORE. 0800 UNDERWAY IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINELANT QUARTERLY OPERATIONS SCHEDULE FOR CHARLESTON SOUTH CAROLINA OPAREA. 0805 STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE STANDING OUT OF CHARLESTON HARBOR. 0908 SECURED THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. 0925 COMMENCED PREPARATIONS TO ANCHOR. SOUNDED THE SPECIAL ANCHOR DETAIL. 0935 COMPLETED ALL PREPARATIONS TO ANCHOR. 1040 ANCHORED IN CHARLESTON OPAREA IN SEVEN FATHOMS OF WATER, MUD BOTTOM, WITH 20 FATHOMS OF CHAIN TO THE PORT ANCHOR ON THE FOLLOWING BEARING: CHARLESTON LIGHT 352.5°T, LIGHT HOUSE 336°T, BUOY "C" 122°T. 1047 SECURED THE SPECIAL ANCHOR DETAIL.

BR. Moffett
BR MOFFETT, LT(JG), USN

EXAMINED

C. D. Herscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (M50-518)

DATE WEDNESDAY 14 MAY 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

12-16 ANCHORED AS BEFORE. 1450 COMMENCED PREPARATIONS TO GET UNDERWAY. SET THE SPECIAL ANCHOR DETAIL. 1455 COMPLETED PREPARATIONS TO GET UNDERWAY. 1458 UNDERWAY FROM THE CHARLESTON OPERA ANCHORAGE ENROUTE TO THE MINE FORCE PIERS. 1500 BASE COURSE 030°T, SPEED 13 KNOTS. 1504 SECURED THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. 1527 ENTERED INLAND WATERS. 1534 SET THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. 1536 STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE STANDING IN THE CHARLESTON HARBOR.

BR. [Signature]
BR. MOFFETT, LT(JG) USN

16-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1627 MANEUVERING TO GO ALONGSIDE THE PIER. 1634 CAPTAIN HAS THE CONN. 1636 RECEIVED U.S. NAVY TUG #9 ALONGSIDE THE PORT QUARTER. PILOT MR. LUPTON, CAME ABOARD ^{CHINA} ~~HA~~ ^{BRAM.} 1640 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER TANGO BERTH 2 ALPHA AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE, CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. SOPA IS COMPLETED. 1646 PILOT LEFT THE SHIP. SECURED THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL.

BR. [Signature]
BR. MOFFETT, LT(JG) USN

20-24 MOORED AS BEFORE.

BR. [Signature]
BR. MOFFETT, LT(JG) USN

EXAMINED:

C. D. Kerschner LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +SR DATE THURSDAY 15 MAY, 19 69
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AT/PASSAGE FROM CHARLESTON, SOUTH TO CAROLINA

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4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-00 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER TANGO BERTH 2 ALPHA AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE CHARLESTON SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS COM CRUDESFLT SIX 0735 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: ELSMANN, SCOTT, R. B53A690 SA USN UA SINCE 0730 18 APRIL 1969. 0745 SOUNDED SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. 0750 COMPLETED ALL PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY.

B.R. Moffett
B.R. MOFFETT, LT(JG), USN.

08-12 MOORED AS BEFORE 0802 UNDERWAY IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINELANT QUARTERLY OPERATIONS SCHEDULE FOR CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA OPAREA. 0806 STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE STEERING OUT OF CHARLESTON HARBOR. 0906 SECURED THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. 0910 1/2 213°T 1/5 12 KNOTS. 1002 COMMENCED PREPARATIONS TO ANCHOR. SOUNDED SPECIAL ANCHOR DETAIL. 1011 COMPLETED ALL PREPARATIONS TO ANCHOR. 1026 ANCHORED IN CHARLESTON OPAREA IN 7 FATHOMS OF WATER, HARD BOTTOM, WITH 30 FATHOMS OF CHAIN TO THE PORT ANCHOR ON THE FOLLOWING BEARINGS: BUOY "D" 288°T, CHARLESTON LIGHT 356°T, LIGHT HOUSE 005°T. 1033 SECURED THE SPECIAL ANCHOR DETAIL. 1137 SET ANCHOR DETAIL IN PREPARATION FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. 1149 UNDERWAY IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINELANT OPERATIONS SCHEDULE TO PARTICIPATE IN STAFFEX 12. 1/2 090°T. 1/5 7 KNOTS. 1154 SECURED SPECIAL ANCHOR DETAIL.

W.J. Masterson
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS. USNR.

EXAMINED

C.D. Henscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO-519)

DATE THURSDAY 15 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

12-16 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1244 USS ABILITY (MSO-519) IS THE GUIDE FOR GOLF FORMATION STARBOARD. OTHER SHIPS IN FORMATION WERE USS NOTABLE (MSO-460), USS RIVAL (MSO-468), USS AGGRESSIVE (MSO-422), AND USS SALUTE (MSO-410) RECOVERY SHIP. 1245 SET CONDITION 2-MIKE. 1253 COMMENCED STREAMING STARBOARD "O" SWEEP GEAR. 1319 STARBOARD SWEEP GEAR STOPPED OFF ON DECK STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE COMMENCING TRAVERSE OF MINEFIELD. 1421 ENTERED MINE FIELD. 1425 LOST THE DEPRESSOR. 1444 EXIT MINEFIELD. 1506 ENTERED MINEFIELD. 1535 EXIT MINEFIELD.

PR Stewart
PR STEWART, ENS, USNR

16-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE, STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE TRAVERSING THE DRILL MINE FIELD. 1707 ENTERED MINE FIELD. 1735 LEAVING MINE FIELD. 1807 ENTERED MINE FIELD. 1834 LEAVING MINE FIELD. 1915 ENTERED MINE FIELD. 1947 LEAVING MINE FIELD.

BR. ~~Moffett~~
BR. MOFFETT, LT(JG), USN

20-24 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE TRAVERSING THE DRILL MINE FIELD. 2029 $\frac{1}{2}$ 280° T. $\frac{1}{2}$ 6 KNOTS. 2030 SET CONDITION "1" MIKE IN PREPARATION FOR RECOVERING MOORED MINESWEEP GEAR. 2034 COMMENCED RECOVERING GEAR. 2105 ALL GEAR CLEAR OF THE WATER. 2115 $\frac{1}{2}$ 280° T. 2117 $\frac{1}{2}$ 11.5 KNOTS. 2118 SECURED FROM CONDITION "1" MIKE. 2135 $\frac{1}{2}$ 270° T. 2147 $\frac{1}{2}$ 265° T. SET THE SPECIAL ANCHOR DETAIL. 2206 ANCHORED IN CHARLESTON OPAREA IN 8 FATHOMS OF WATER, HARD BOTTOM, WITH 35 FATHOMS OF CHAIN TO THE PORT ANCHOR ON THE FOLLOWING BEARINGS: CHARLESTON LIGHT. 353° T, BUOY "W" 204° T, RANGE TO BUOY "W" 6150 YARDS. 2210 SECURED THE SPECIAL ANCHOR DETAIL.

W. J. Masterson
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS, USNR

EXAMINED:

C. D. Kerner LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS Ability (MSO-519) ZONE DESCRIPTION TSR DATE FRIDAY 16 May 19 67
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3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 ANCHORED ON THE EASTERN EDGE OF DRILL MINE FIELD OFF STONO INLET SOUTH CAROLINA IN ACCORDANCE WITH MINELANT STAFFEX NO. 12-69, IN 8 FATHOMS OF WATER, HARD BOTTOM, WITH 35 FATHOMS OF CHAIN TO THE PORT ANCHOR ON THE FOLLOWING BEARINGS AND RANGE: CHARLESTON LIGHT 353°T, BUOY WHISKEY 204.5°T 6150 YARDS. SHIPS PRESENT: USS AGGRESSIVE (MSO-422), USS NOTABLE (MSO-460), USS RIVAL (MSO-468), AND USS SALUTE (MSO-470). SOPA IS COMERUDS PLOT SIX OTC IS COMINEDIU 85.

R. Stewart
R. Stewart, ENS, USNR

04-08 ANCHORED AS BEFORE. 0550 COMMENCED PREPARATIONS TO GET UNDERWAY. SOUNDED SPECIAL ANCHOR DETAIL. 0555 COMPLETED ALL PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. 0556 CAPTAIN ON THE BRIDGE. 0602 UNDERWAY FROM ANCHORAGE AREA IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINELANT QUARTERLY OPERATIONS SCHEDULE TO PARTICIPATE IN STAFFEX 12. 0605 SECURED THE ANCHOR DETAIL. 0615 MANEUVERING TO TAKE STATION ONE AS GUIDE IN FORMATION ONE AXIS 100, COURSE 100 SPEED 6 KNOTS. U.S.S. NOTABLE (MSO-460) IN STATION TWO 500 YARDS ASTERN, U.S.S. SALUTE (MSO-470) IN STATION THREE 1000 YARDS ASTERN, U.S.S. AGGRESSIVE (MSO-422) IN STATION FOUR 1500 YARDS ASTERN. 0640 SOUNDED CONDITION I-MIKE. 0653 MANEUVERING TO TAKE STATION IN A GOLF STARBOARD FORMATION. U.S.S. ABILITY (MSO-519) IN STATION ONE AS GUIDE, U.S.S. NOTABLE IN STATION TWO, U.S.S. SALUTE IN STATION THREE, AND U.S.S. AGGRESSIVE IN STATION FOUR. 0704 COMMENCED STREAMING MINESWEEPING GEAR TO STARBOARD. 0714 90 240°T.

B.R. Moffett
B.R. Moffett LT(JG) USN

08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0800 MUSTERED THE CREW ON STATION. ABSENTEES: NONE. EISMANN, SCOTT R., B538690, SA, USN, UA SINCE 0730 18 APRIL 1969. ALL MINE-SWEEPING GEAR STOPPED OFF ON DECK. 0806 COMMENCED STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE TRAVERSING MINE FIELD. 0817 SECURED CONDITION I-MIKE. SET CONDITION II-MIKE.

W. J. Masterson
W. J. Masterson, ENS, USNR

EXAMINED

C. P. Hensley LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS

Ability (250-519)

DATE

Friday 16 May 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

12-16. UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE TRAVERSING THE DRILL MINE FIELD.

*V. J. Sanders P
H. Sanders, (S), OSUR*

16-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1613 LEAVING MINE FIELD. STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE TRAVERSING THE MINE FIELD. 1701 ENTERING MINE FIELD. 1740 LEAVING MINE FIELD. 1820 ENTERING MINE FIELD. 1845 LEAVING MINE FIELD. 1909 ENTERING MINE FIELD.

*B.R. Moffett
B.R. MOFFETT, LTJG, USN*

20-24 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE TRAVERSING THE DRILL MINE FIELD. 2016 SET CONDITION 1-MIKE. 2018 $\frac{1}{2}$ 040°T. $\frac{1}{2}$ 6 KNOTS. COMMENCED RECOVERING MINESWEEP GEAR. 2100 ALL GEAR CLEAR OF THE WATER. 2101 $\frac{1}{2}$ 235°T. $\frac{1}{2}$ 8.5 KNOTS. 2103 SECURED FROM CONDITION 1-MIKE. 2104 SET SPECIAL ANCHOR DETAIL. COMMENCED PREPARATIONS FOR ANCHORING. 2115 ALL PREPARATIONS FOR ANCHORING COMPLETED. 2118. ANCHORED IN CHARLESTON OP AREA IN 7 FATHOMS OF WATER, HARD BOTTOM, WITH 30 FATHOMS OF CHAIN TO THE PORT ANCHOR ON THE FOLLOWING RANGES AND BEARINGS: CHARLESTON LIGHT 351°T, BUOY BRAVO 143°T, RANGE FROM BUOY BRAVO 2000 YARDS. 2026 SECURED THE ANCHOR DETAIL.

*W. J. Masterson
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS, USNR*

EXAMINED:

C. D. Herscher LT.

U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS Abilene (USC 59)

DATE Saturday 17 May 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

12-16 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE TRAVELING THE DRILL MINEFIELD.
1327 ~~ENTERED~~ MOORED MINES SWEEP BARGE. 1330 COMMENCED RECOVERY OF MOORED SWEEP BARGE. 1416 ALL BARGE ON DECK. 120 PARTS OF SWEEP WAS LOST WHILE RECOVERING BARGE. 1437 SET SPECIAL SEA DETAIL AND SECURED FERRY I-MIKE. 1445 STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE ~~THE~~ STANDING IN CHARLESTON HARBOR. 1534 MAKING APPROACH TO MINERBATH PIER. 1542 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER UNIFORM, BERTH 2B. WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED.

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V. J. STANLEY, USNR

CDR
USN

16-24 MOORED AS BEFORE.

R. R. Stewart
R. R. STEWART, JNS, USNR

EXAMINED:

C. D. Kershner LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +5R DATE SUNDAY 18 MAY 19 69
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LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
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REMARKS

00-08 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER UNIFORM
BERTH 2 ALFA AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE CHARLESTON,
SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES
DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. RECEIVING
MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN
CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION
YOKES SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS
UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS
COMBINEDS FLOT SIX. 0745 MUSTERED THE CREW ON
STATION ABSENTS: EISMANN, SCOTT R., B 53 86 90
SA, USN, UA SINCE 0730 18 APRIL 1969.

RR Stewart
RR STEWART, ENS, USN

EXAMINED

C. P. Herscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

TO BE FORWARDED TO THE BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL AT THE END OF EACH MONTH

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS FBILITY (MSO-519)

DATE SUNDAY 1A MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

OP-24 MOORED AS BEFORE.

BR Moffitt
BR MOFFETT, LT(JG), U.S.N.

EXAMINED:

C.P. Herscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS USS ABILITY (MSO-519) ONE DESCRIPTION TSR DATE MONDAY 19 MAY 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM CHARLESTON, SOUTH TO CAROLINA

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LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
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REMARKS

08-00 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER UNIFORM, BERTH 2 ALPHA AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS COMCRU-DESFLOT SIX. 0735 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE. 0745 SET SPECIAL SEA DETAIL.

BR [Signature]
BR [Signature], LTJG, USN

08-12 MOORED AS BEFORE. 0820 UNDERWAY IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINELANT QUARTERLY OPERATIONS SCHEDULE FOR CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA OPAREA. 0823 STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE STANDING OUT OF CHARLESTON HARBOR.

0949 SECURED THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. 0955 $\frac{1}{2}$ 182°T, $\frac{1}{3}$ 10.5 KNOTS. 1003 $\frac{1}{2}$ 176°T, 1025 $\frac{1}{3}$ 5 KNOTS. 1026 SET CONDITION 2-MIKE. 1037 COMMENCED STREAMING INFLUENCE TYPE MINESWEEP GEAR. 1132 $\frac{1}{2}$ 020°T. 1143 ALL GEAR STOPPED OFF ON DECK. $\frac{1}{2}$ 150°T $\frac{1}{3}$ 2 KNOTS. 1148 $\frac{1}{3}$ 4.5 KNOTS. EISMANN, SA, B55-86-90, USN, WA SINCE 18 APRIL 1969 DECLARED DESERTER THIS DATE.

W. J. Masterson
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS, USN

EXAMINED

C. D. Herscher LT, U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO-519)

DATE MONDAY 19 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

12-16 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1231 COMMENCED SOUNDING FOR SIGNALS. 1247 CEASED SOUNDING FOR SIGNALS. 1310 ALL GEAR STOPPED OFF ON DECK. 1327 COMMENCED PULSING ROTO-VAC ACOUSTIC DEVICE. 1421 STARTED PULSING FOR TEST MAGNETIC PULSING CABLE. ~~S~~ TEST UNSAT. ^{CNT} 1500 CEASED PULSING ACOUSTIC DEVICE. 1534 COMMENCED PREPARATIONS TO RECOVER ALL MINESWEEPING GEAR. HEAVING AROUND ON PORT SWEEP WIRE. AND MAGNETIC PULSING CABLE.

B.R. Moffett
B.R. MOFFETT, LTJG, USN

16-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1646 $\frac{1}{2}$ 070°T, 1655 $\frac{1}{2}$ 300°T. 1703 MAGNETIC PULSING CABLE ON BOARD. 1723 PORT "O" GEAR ON DECK. 1746 ACOUSTIC DEVICE ON DECK. 1747 $\frac{1}{2}$ 120°T. $\frac{1}{2}$ 2.5 KNOTS. 1922 $\frac{1}{2}$ 350°T. COMMENCED STREAMING COMBINATION SWEEP. STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE STREAMING GEAR. 1949 ALL GEAR STOPPED OFF ON DECK. COMMENCED STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE TRAVERSING THE DRILL MINEFIELD.

W. J. Masterson
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS, USNR

20-24 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE TRAVERSING THE DRILL MINEFIELD. 2036 ALL GEAR STOPPED OFF ON DECK. 2057 COMMENCED PULSING MAGNETIC PULSING CABLE AND ACOUSTIC DEVICE. 2203 ENTERED THE DRILL MINEFIELD. 2207 SOUNDED CONDITION II—MIKE. 2242 LEFT THE MINE FIELD. 2320 ENTERED THE MINE FIELD. 2330 MAGNETIC PULSING CABLE NOT WORKING PROPERLY. 2351 LEFT THE MINEFIELD.

B.R. Moffett
B.R. MOFFETT, LTJG, USN

EXAMINED:

C. D. Herscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

EXAMINED

C. D. Herscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (M50-519)

DATE TUESDAY 20 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

12-16 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE, 1405 ENTERING THE MINE FIELD, 1438 LEAVING THE MINE FIELD, 1515 ENTERING MINE FIELD, 1551 LEAVING MINE FIELD.

B.R. Moffett
B.R. MOFFETT, LTJG, U.S.N.

16-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE, STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE ENTERING THE MINEFIELD. 1837 SET CONDITION "1" MIKE. COMMENCED RECOVERY OF INFLUENCE TYPE MINESWEEPING GEAR, 090°T. 054 KNOTS.

W. J. Masterson
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS. USNR.

20-24 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE, 2013 ACOUSTIC DEVICE ON BOARD, 2015 STARBOARD FLOOT ON BOARD, ALL GEAR CLEAR OF THE WATER, 2047 SECURED FROM CONDITION I-MIKE, SOUNDED ANCHOR DETAIL. 2106 ANCHORED IN THE CHARLESTON CREEK IN SEVEN FATHOMS OF WATER, HARD BOTTOM WITH 35 FATHOMS OF CHAIN AT THE WATERS EDGE TO THE PORT ANCHOR ON THE FOLLOWING BEARINGS AND RANGES: CHARLESTON LIGHT 085.5°T; BUOY WHISKEY 109°T, 3150 YARDS. 2115 SECURED THE ANCHOR DETAIL.

B.R. Moffett
B.R. MOFFETT, LTJG, U.S.N.

EXAMINED:

C. P. Herscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS Abilene (MSO 54) ZONE DESCRIPTION +5R DATE Wednesday 21 May 68
(Day) (Date) (Month) 19 68
AT/PASSAGE FROM _____ TO _____

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L _____	BY _____	
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
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LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

~~00-08~~ ANCHORED AT WESTERN EDGE OF DRILL MINE FIELD OFF STONO INLET, CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA IN ACCORDANCE WITH MINELAWT STAFFEX NO. 12-69 IN 7 FATHOMS OF WATER, HARD BOTTOM, WITH 35 FATHOMS OF CHAIN TO THE PORT ANCHOR ON THE FOLLOWING BEARINGS AND RANGES: CHARLESTON LIGHT ~~055.5°T~~, BUOY WHISKY 109°T 3150 YARDS. SHIPS PRESENT: USS NOTABLE (MSO-460) AND USS RIVAL (MSO-468). SOPA IS COMBINED SIX. OTC IS COMBINED 85. ~~0031~~ MOTOR WHALBOAT FROM USS RIVAL (MSO-468) ALONG THIS SHIP'S PORT SIDE FOR MAIL TRANSFER. ~~0036~~ CAST OFF MOTOR WHALE BOAT.

R. Stewart
R. Stewart ENS, USNR

08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0801 STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE CONDUCTING MINE HUNTING OPERATIONS. 0942 MAKING APPROACH ON DRILL MINE. 0958 RECOVERED DRILL MINE NO. 23.

V. H. VANDS
V. H. VANDS, +951, USNR

EXAMINED

C. P. Herscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS

Ability (USO-579)

DATE

21
Wednesday *21* *May* *1969* *US*
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

12-16 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. CONDUCTING MINE HUNTING OPERATIONS IN DRILL MINE FIELD. 1230 MAKING APPROACHES ON SEVERAL MINE-LIKE CONTACTS AND MARKING LOCATIONS WITH SMALL BOYS. 1317 RECOVERED 2 (TWO) MEMBERS OF THE EOD TEAM AND THEIR ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT. 1401 STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE CONDUCTING MINE HUNTING OPERATIONS.

✓ 4. Spinks
✓ 4. Spinks, P-19, USNR

16-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1636 SECURED FROM MINE HUNTING OPERATIONS. LT. PEROTT USNR HAS THE COMM. 1731 COMMENCED PREPARATIONS TO ENTER PORT. SOUNDED SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. 1753 STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE STANDING IN CHARLESTON HARBOR. 1841 U.S. NAVY TUG RECEIVED ALONGSIDE TO PORT. PILOT MR. DELANER CAME ABOARD. 1847 CAPTAIN HAS THE COMM. 1856 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER SIERRA, BERTH 1 ALPHA AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE CHARLESTON, SC. WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. SOPA IS CONCLUDES FLAT SIX. 1905 SECURED FROM SEA DETAIL. PILOT LEFT THE SHIP.

B.R. [Signature]
B.R. MOFFETT, LT(JG), USN

20-24 MOORED AS BEFORE

✓ 4. Spinks
✓ 4. Spinks, P-19, USNR

EXAMINED:

C.D. Herscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS Arcturion (USC-59) ZONE DESCRIPTION 15R DATE Thursday 22 May 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM CHARLESTON, S.C. TO

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
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L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
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λ _____	BY _____	

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-08 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIETR SIBERIA, BERTH 1
ATFA AT THE U.S. NAVAL STATION CHARLESTON, SOUTH
CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED. RECEIVING
UNUSUAL SERVICES FROM THE PIETR. SHIP IN
CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION
YOKES SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS
UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOUTH IS CONDUCTING
FLOT SIX. 0735 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS
ABSENTEES: NONE.

[Signature]
1/4. VANDS, P/S, USNR

08-12 MOVED AS BEFORE. 0801 UNDERWAY IN ACCORDANCE
WITH COMNAVANT QUARTERS OPERATIONS SCHEDULE.
MANEUVERING TO CLEAR THE PIETR. CAPTAIN AND
NAVIGATOR ON THE BRIDGE. MR. LUTON, PILOT, AT
THE CONN. 0804 GUN GIVEN THE CONN. STEERING VARIOUS
COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS STANDING OUT OF
CHARLESTON HARBOR. 0824 PASSING UNDER COOPER
RIVER BRIDGE. 0844 PASSING PORT SUMMIT ABSEAM
TO STARBOARD 1000 YARDS. 0914 C/C 190° C/S 11
KNOTS. 0937 STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS
SPEEDS WHILE CONDUCTING MINE HUNTING OPERATIONS. 1007
MAKING PREPARATIONS TO RECOVER MINE NO. 20. 1045
MINE NO. 20 IS ONBOARD. CONDUCTING MINE HUNTING
OPERATIONS IN DRILL MINE FIELD.

[Signature]
RR Stewart, ENS USNR

EXAMINED

[Signature] C. D. Henriches LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MISO-519)

THURSDAY
DATE TUESDAY 22 MAY 1969 ^{COX}
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

12-16 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE CONDUCTING MINEHUNTING OPERATIONS IN DRILL MINEFIELD. 1438 SECURED FROM MINEHUNTING. COMMENCED RECOVERY OF TWO MASTER REFERENCE BUOYS. STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE APPROACHING MASTER REFERENCE BUOYS "HOTEL" AND "MIKE."

W. J. Masterson
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS. USNR.

16-20 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 1609 MASTER REFERENCE BUOY "MIKE" RECOVERED ON DECK. 1640 MASTER REFERENCE BUOY "HOTEL" RECOVERED ON DECK. 1645 C/L 028°T. 1/3 3 KNOTS. COMMENCED TRANSFER OF EOD. PERSONNEL TO USS AGGRESSIVE (MISO-422) BY BOAT. 1755 TRANSFER OF PERSONNEL COMPLETED. SET REGULAR STEAMING WATCH. 1/3 12.5 KNOTS. 1757 C/L 299°T. 1803 SET SPECIAL SEA DETAIL FOR ENTERING CHARLESTON HARBOR. STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE ENTERING CHARLESTON HARBOR. 1914 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER SIERRA, BERTH 1 ALFA. WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS COMCRUDESFLOT SIX. 1918 SECURED THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL.

W. J. Masterson
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS. USNR.

20-24 MOORED AS BEFORE.

W. J. Masterson
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS. USNR.

EXAMINED:

C. D. Herscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MX-51) ZONE DESCRIPTION +5R DATE FRIDAY 23 MAY 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA TO _____

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-08 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER SIERRA, BERTH 1-ALFA AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASE, CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. SOFA IS COMCRUDESFLOT SIX. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. Ø75Ø MUSTERED THE CREW ON STATION. ABSENTEES: NONE.

C. J. Masterson
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS, USNR

EXAMINED

C. D. Herscher LT. J. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO-519)

DATE FRIDAY 23 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

08-24 MOORED AS BEFORE. 0912 COMMENCED TAKING ON FUEL.
1045 SECURED FROM TAKING ON FUEL. 1710 STATIONED TWO
SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. 1725 PILOT ON BOARD, MR LUTON.
1730 UNDERWAY TO SHIFT BERTHS. WITH THIS SHIP'S
PLANT DEAD. 1743 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER
QUEBEC 2/4 ALFA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES
DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. 1754 PILOT
DEPARTED SHIP. 1755 SECURED FROM TWO SPECIAL SEA
DETAIL.

R.R. Stewart
R.R. STEWART, ENS, USN

EXAMINED:

C. D. Herscher, Jr. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-58) ZONE DESCRIPTION +5R DATE SATURDAY 24 May 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L _____	BY _____	
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

~~08-08~~ MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO PIER QUINCE
BERTH 2/4 ALFA AT THE U.S. NAVAL STATION
CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA WITH STANDARD
MOORING LINES DOUBLED WIRES OUT FORT AND AFT.
RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM THE PIER.
SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL
CONDITION YOKS SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE
VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA
IS COMBINED FLOT SIX. 0745 MUSTERED THE CREW
ON STATION. ABSENTEES: NONE.

R. Stewart
R. STEWART, ENS, USN

08-12 MOORED AS BEFORE.

BR. ~~Maffett~~
BR. MAFFETT, LT(JG) USN

EXAMINED

C. P. Herscher, LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS

Abilene (2050-579)

DATE

Saturday 24 May 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

12-16 MOORED AS BEFORE. 1545 COMMENCED PREPARATIONS TO GET UNDERWAY. SOUNDED SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. COMPLETED ALL PREPARATIONS FOR GETTING UNDERWAY. DRAFT: FORWARD 11 FT. 0 IN. AFT. 11 FT. 0 IN.

BR. Moffett
BR. MOFFETT, LT(JG), U.S.N.

BRM 16-20 HWT MOORED AS BEFORE. 1603 CAPTAIN AND NAVIGATOR ON THE BRIDGE. 1600 UNDERWAY FOR MAYPORT FLORIDA IN ACCORDANCE WITH CINCLANTFLT QUARTERLY OPERATIONS SCHEDULE. 1610 MANEUVERING TO CLEAR THE PIER. 1620 STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE STANDING OUT THE CHARLESTON HARBOR. 1715 SECURED THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. 1736 MANEUVERING TO TAKE STATION TWO IN A LINE ABREAST FORMATION COURSE 199°T, SPEED 10 KNOTS. GUIDE IS USS. NOTABLE (MSC-468) IN STATION ONE. 1744 ENTERED INTERNATIONAL WATERS. 1757 NEW FORMATION COURSE AND AXIS 196°T. 1843 PROCEEDING INDEPENDENTLY.

BR. Moffett
BR. MOFFETT, LT(JG), U.S.N.

20-24 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE.

V. J. Vands
V. J. VANDS, HCJ1, USNR

EXAMINED:

C. D. Hershey LT.

U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +57R DATE SUNDAY 25 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA TO MAYPORT, FLORIDA

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L _____	BY _____	
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
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L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
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L _____	BY _____	
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LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-04 UNDERWAY IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMINELANT QUARTERLY OPERATIONS SCHEDULE ENROUTE FROM CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA TO MAYPORT, FLORIDA. STEAMING IN LOOSE LINE ABREAST IN COMPANY WITH USS. NOTABLE (MSO-460). THIS SHIP IN STATION TWO. FORMATION COURSE 206°T, SPEED 11.5 KNOTS, SOPA AND O.T.C. IS COMMANDING OFFICER USS. NOTABLE. USS. NOTABLE IS GUIDE, BEARING 116°T, DISTANCE 600 YARDS.

W. J. Masterson
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS, USNR

04-08 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0714 C/C 254°T. 0730 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENCES: NONE. 0737 MANEUVERING AT VARIOUS COURSES AND VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE MAINTAINING STATION 600 YARDS ASTERN OF THE USS NOTABLE (MSO 460).

R. R. Stewart
R. R. STEWART, LTJG, USN

08-12 UNDERWAY AS BEFORE. 0825 COMMENCED PREPARATIONS TO ENTER PORT. SOUNDED THE SPECIAL SEA DETAIL. 0828 COMMENCED SOUNDING FOG SIGNALS. 0829 CEASED SOUNDING FOG SIGNALS. 0835 COMMENCED SOUNDING FOG SIGNALS. 0900 CEASED SOUNDING FOG SIGNALS. SET LOW VISIBILITY NAVIGATION WATCH. 0947 SECURED THE LOW VISIBILITY NAVIGATION WATCH. 1013 ENTERED INLAND WATERS. 1017 STEERING VARIOUS COURSES AT VARIOUS SPEEDS WHILE STANDING IN MAYPORT HARBOR. 1033 MOORED STARBOARD SIDE TO U.S.S. NOTABLE (MSO-460) AT PIER CHARLIE BERTH 2-2 AT THE U.S. NAVAL STATION MAYPORT FLORIDA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. RECEIVING MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES FROM THE PIER. SOPA IS COMCRUDESFLOT TWELVE.

BR Moffett
BR MOFFETT, LTJG, USN

EXAMINED

C. D. Henscher LT U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO-519)

DATE SUNDAY 25 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

12-24 MOORED AS BEFORE,

W. J. Masterson
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS. USNR

EXAMINED:

C. D. Herscher LT.

U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +5R DATE MONDAY 26 MAY 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM MAYPORT, FLORIDA TO

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L _____	BY _____	
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
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L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-08 MOORED IN A NEST OF TWO SHIPS STARBOARD SIDE TO U.S.S. NOTABLE (MSO-460) AT PIER CHARLIE BERTH 1-2 AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASIN, MAYPORT, FLORIDA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. RECEIVING FRESH WATER FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS COMCRUDESFLOT TWELVE. 0735 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE.

W. J. Masterson
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS, USNR

EXAMINED

C. D. Hershey LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO-519)

DATE MONDAY 26 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

0824 MOORED AS BEFORE. 1815 HAD FIRE DRILL. 1825 SQUAD
FROM FIRE DRILL.

R.R. Stewart
R.R. STEWART, LT(jg), USN

EXAMINED:

C. D. Herscher LT U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-55) ZONE DESCRIPTION ISR DATE TUESDAY 27 MAY 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM DAYPORT, FLORIDA TO _____

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L _____	BY _____	
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-08 MOORED IN A NEST OF TWO SHIPS STARBOARD
SIDE TO U.S.S. NOTABLE (MSO-460) AT PIER CHARLIE BERTH
2-2 AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASIN, DAYPORT FLORIDA WITH
STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT
FORE AND AFT. RECEIVING FRESH WATER FROM THE
PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL
CONDITION YUKS SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT WOULD VARIOUS
UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS
COMING DOWN TOWARD. 0735 MUSTERED THE CREW AT
QUARTERS. ABSENTees: NONE.

RR Stewart
RR STOWART, LT (JG), USN

EXAMINED

C. D. Herscher et. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

TO BE FORWARDED TO THE BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL AT THE END OF EACH MONTH

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (M80.518)

DATE Tuesday 27 May 1967
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

04-24 MOORED AS BEFORE.

B.R. MUFFETT
B.R. MUFFETT, LTJG, U.S.N.

EXAMINED:

C.P. Herscher LTJG U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +SR DATE WEDNESDAY 20 MAY 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM MAYPORT, FLORIDA TO _____

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L _____	BY _____	
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POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
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L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

08-08 MOORED IN A NEST OF TWO SHIPS STARBOARD SIDE TO U.S.S. NOTABLE (MSO-460) AT PIER CHARLIE BERTH 2-2 AT THE U.S. NAVAL BASIN, MAYPORT FLORIDA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. RECEIVING FRESH WATER AND TELEPHONE SERVICES FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS COMCRUDEFLT TWELVE. 0735 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS: ABSENTEES: NONE.

BR. Moffitt
BR. MOFFETT, LT(jg), U.S.N.

EXAMINED

C.D. Stencher LT U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

TO BE FORWARDED TO THE BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL AT THE END OF EACH MONTH

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS

Ability (UNO-579)

DATE

Wednesday / 28 May 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

08-24 MOORED AS BEFORE. 1801 HURD FIRE DRILL
1812 SECURED FROM FIRE DRILL.

J. H. VANDS
J. H. VANDS, LTJG, USNR

EXAMINED:

C. D. Hatcher LT.

U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS Abilene (USO-59) ZONE DESCRIPTION 15R DATE THURSDAY 29 May 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM MAYPORT, FLORIDA TO —

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L _____	BY _____	
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LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-08 MOORED IN A NEST OF THREE SHIPS STARBOARD SIDES TO U.S.S. NOTABLE (USO-460) AT PIER CHARLIE BERTH 2-2 AT THE U.S. NAVAL STATION, MAYPORT, FLORIDA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. U.S.S. SHRIKE (USC-201) MOORED OUTBOARD TO PORT. RECEIVING FRESH WATER FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKES SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS COMCORDESCOT 12. 0735 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE

[Signature]
J.H. VAUDS, PERJ, USNR

EXAMINED

[Signature] C.P. Hennessey LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

TO BE FORWARDED TO THE BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL AT THE END OF EACH MONTH

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO-519)

DATE THURSDAY 29 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

08-24 MOORED AS BEFORE. 1800 HELD FIRE DRILL.
1815 SECURED FROM FIRE DRILL.

W. J. Masteron
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS, USNR

EXAMINED:

C. D. Herscher LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +5R DATE FRIDAY 30 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM MAYPORT, FLORIDA TO _____

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-08 MOORED IN A NEST OF THREE SHIPS STARBOARD SIDE TO USS. NOTABLE (MSO-460) AT PIER CHARLIE BERTH 2-2 AT THE U.S. NAVAL STATION, MAYPORT, FLORIDA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. USS SHRIKE (MSC-201) MOORED OUTBOARD TO PORT. RECEIVING FRESH WATER AND TELEPHONE FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKE SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS COMCRUDESFLOT TWELVE. 0745 MUSTERED THE CREW AT QUARTERS. ABSENTEES: NONE.

W. J. Masterson
W. J. MASTERSON, ENS, USNR

EXAMINED

C. D. Henriches LT. U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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USS ABILITY (MSO-519)

DATE FRIDAY 30 MAY 1969
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

08-24 MOORED AS BEFORE.

R.P. Stewart
R.P. STEWART, LT(jg), USNR

EXAMINED:

C.D. Hennessey LT, U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

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0105-904-1020

USS ABILITY (MSO-519) ZONE DESCRIPTION +5R DATE SATURDAY 31 MAY 19 68
(Day) (Date) (Month)
AT/PASSAGE FROM MAYPORT, FLORIDA TO _____

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
0800		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
1200		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

POSITION	ZONE	TIME
2000		
L _____	BY _____	
λ _____	BY _____	

LEGEND: 1-CELESTIAL
2-ELECTRONIC
3-VISUAL
4-D. R.

REMARKS

00-08 MOORED IN A NEST OF THREE SHIPS STARBOARD SIDE TO USS NOTABE (MSO-460) AT PIER CHARLES BERTH 2-2 AT THE U.S. NAVAL STATION, MAYPORT, FLORIDA WITH STANDARD MOORING LINES DOUBLED AND WIRES OUT FORE AND AFT. USS SHRIKE (MSC-201) MOORED OUTBOARD TO PORT. RECEIVING FRESH WATER AND TELEPHONE SERVICES FROM THE PIER. SHIP IN CONDITION WATCH FIVE WITH MATERIAL CONDITION YOKES SET. OTHER SHIPS PRESENT INCLUDE VARIOUS UNITS OF THE U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET. SOPA IS COMBINED PILOT TUGS. 0745 MUSTERED THE CREW ON STATION. ABSENTEES: NONE.

PP Stewart
P.R. STEWART, LT(jg), USN

EXAMINED

C.P. Henschel U. S. N. NAVIGATOR

TO BE FORWARDED TO THE BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL AT THE END OF EACH MONTH

DECK LOG—REMARKS SHEET

USS ABILITY (MSO-519)

DATE SATURDAY 31 MAY 19 69
(Day) (Date) (Month)

REMARKS—CONTINUED

0A-24 MOORED AS BEFORE.

B.R. Moffett
B.R. MOFFETT, LT(JG), U.S.N.

EXAMINED:

C.D. Herscher 27

U. S. N. NAVIGATOR